

METRO EDMONTON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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SOCCER LEAGUE - information

1. **Eligibility Forms** must be provided to Athletics Office prior to first league game.
Eligibility: Under 19 as of September 1 of current school year
Registered in minimum of 800 instructional minutes
Three years of eligibility from entry into Grade 10 (2 years at Jr. Level)
A Junior player is allowed to play one game at the senior level without losing junior status.
A student must compete in a minimum of three league games and be registered on the eligibility list to be eligible for playoffs.

2. **Home Team** is responsible for booking of game field, ensuring field is properly marked and corner flags and goal nets are in place. Field should be set up and available to visiting team 15 minutes prior to scheduled game time. Home Team must supply standard game ball and game sheet. It is also recommended that benches be provided (where possible) for teams. **For league games home team is responsible for contrasting uniform colors and will wear pinnies when necessary. For playoff games, higher ranked team will have choice of color.**

Home Team is responsible for ensuring field is prepped and ready for play. If your respective Parks and Recreation Department are unable to line the field prior to the first game you are asked to at least mark the goal area, 18 yard box and center

3. **Home Team is responsible for supplying two linespersons.** Their responsibility is to call ball out of bounds only. Home Team Coach– welcome referee and introduce yourself.

Metro Policy adopted April, 2010

Staff sponsors must be provided for all "out-of-school" coaches and sponsors must be in attendance at games. Staff sponsors must be employees of the respective School District. The staff sponsor must identify themselves to the opposing team prior to the game and remain on site (in the gym or on the field) for the duration of the game. In the event there is no staff sponsor on site, the game will be considered a default. In the event of extenuating circumstances, the default is subject to Appeal to the Executive Committee.

4. **Winning Team** is responsible for calling the publicists - 378 - 0181 and the Athletics nightline 989 – 3005 with the game score and to report any cards issued. Winning team is also responsible for sending scoresheet to the Athletics Office. NOTE; In the event of a tie game, the home team is responsible for the above. Fax: 437 - 7480.
All results will posted daily on the Metro Website: www.telusplanet.net/public/metroedm

5. **RULES OF PLAY**

Games shall be played in accordance with the current laws of the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA). The leagues will adopt all new rules of FIFA

NOTE: Protective Shin Guards are mandatory and any player not wearing the Guards will be ordered off the field by the referee.

EXCEPTION: Game duration – 40 minute halves (adopted March, 2009)

6. **TIE BREAKER - LEAGUE STANDINGS**

Ties in league standings will be broken by the following procedure:

- a) Games between the tied teams only;
- b) If a) does not resolve tie, then the difference in goals for and against in the games between the tied teams ;
- c) If a) and b) do not resolve tie, then the difference in goals for and against for the entire season will resolve with the exception of teams involved in defaulted games.
- d) If a), b), c) do not resolve tie, the team which has the fewest goals scored against them from all games will attain the higher ranking.

- e) If still tied, the team which has the greatest number of goals scored against the other teams will be ranked higher in the standings.

7. **YELLOW AND RED CARDS**

(a) **YELLOW CARDS:**

- 2 yellows = 1 red card
- 4 yellows = 2 red cards
- 6 yellows = 3 red cards

(b) **RED CARDS:**

- 1 red card - suspension for the remainder of the game plus 1 more game.
- 2 red cards - suspension for the remainder of the game plus 3 more games.
- 3 red cards - suspension for the remainder of the game and the remainder of the season.

NOTE; Demerit system will be in effect.

A player playing or registered on the scoresheet for 2 games without receiving a yellow or red card will have the previously received yellow card removed from his/her record. A suspended game is not looked upon as a game for credit towards the demerit system.

i.e. A player receives a yellow card in game 3, plays or is listed on the scoresheet for games 4 and 5 and receives no yellow or red cards; that player has now earned himself a credit of having the yellow card removed from his/her record.

8. **Inclement weather** - Home Team should determine if their field is playable. (game cancellation)
NOTE: Sixty minutes of play must have elapsed before a game becomes official and then is stopped by the official due to weather. In the event the City or County Parks and Recreation Departments determine that a field is not playable, you will be notified as soon as possible (you must not practice or play on closed fields)

9. **Boys League** - Maximum players dressed is 20. The back-up goalie can play if the referee is notified.

10. **Girls League** - Maximum players dressed is 20 (Motion: March 15th – passed). Players are not allowed to wear any article of clothing which covers their shorts, socks or shin guards. i.e. if sweat pants or tights are worn in inclement weather they must be worn under the socks and shorts.

11. Unlimited substitutions are allowed in all leagues. **Substitutions** are allowed:
- at the discretion of the referee;
- when a goal is scored;
- before a goal kick is taken;
- injury;
- substitutions may not be made on a penalty kick or a corner kick or subject to the approval of the referee.
- maximum of five (5) subs at one time. However, if game is delayed intentionally, substitution will be at referees discretion.

12. **PLAYOFFS:** players must participate in minimum of 3 league games to be eligible for playoffs.
Overtime for playoffs: ties will be decided by two 10 minute halves.
If still tied shootout will take place.
NOTE: League games that end in a tie remain as tied games.

13. **Supervision** - Teams must have a staff supervisor at all games.

14. **Game Start Time:** 4:15– Home team must have field set up (including nets) and available for visiting team at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled game start time. If a team does not arrive within one half hour of the scheduled game time, the game will be considered a default. (Teams must be off most fields

by 6:00 to allow for community bookings.) If there is no referee, teams can either postpone to a mutual date or play the game with a referee approved by both coaches. In the event the game is played with an alternate ref, the results of the game will stand. (

GAME DURATION: 40 MINUTE HALVES (adopted March, 2009)

GAME CHANGES: Any game changes which are required, should be made prior to the start of the league and must be made through the Metro Athletics Office (989 – 3005).